

# GREATER LAFAYETTE AREA TRANSPORTATION & DEVELOPMENT STUDY

## TECHNICAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

### MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 16, 2005

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Jon Fricker, Chairman  
Sallie Fahey, Secretary  
Opal Kuhl  
Mark Albers  
Steve Isenhower  
Lt. Jeanette Bennett  
Dave Buck  
Capt. Rick Walker  
Betty Stansbury

JTRP  
APC  
Lafayette City Engineer  
Tippecanoe County Highway Director  
INDOT: Crawfordsville Division  
Lafayette Police Department  
West Lafayette City Engineer  
Tippecanoe County Sheriff Department  
Purdue Airport

#### NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Dana Smith  
Tom VanHorn

Lafayette-West Lafayette Chamber  
Community Development/Redevelopment Department

#### ALSO PRESENT

Doug Poad  
Brian Weber  
Gina Quattrochi  
Kelly Gramenz  
Dan Shaw  
Joe Spear

APC Staff  
APC Staff  
WLF  
WLF  
Journal & Courier  
INDOT

Jon Fricker called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M.

#### **Minutes**

Opal Kuhl moved to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2005 meeting.

Jon Fricker pointed out the meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m., not 3:40 p.m.

Dave Buck seconded and the motion, with changes, carried by voice vote.

#### **Access Permits**

*None*

#### **2004 Traffic Count Maps**

Brian Weber presented his traffic count maps and information regarding the maps.

Opal Kuhl stated that it was interesting that Concord Road south of CR 350 S is more heavily traveled than 9<sup>th</sup> Street south of 350.

Doug Poad pointed out that this map's base layers are based on GIS, not on census geography. He said this map is much more accurate. He added the map will be on the Area Plan Commission website.

#### **Study Progress**

Doug Poad said that the Area Plan Commission officially passed the transportation plan, as well as to the three town boards, County Commissioners and Lafayette and West Lafayette City Councils. He said that once certifications are received from all jurisdictions, the amendment will be officially part of the Comprehensive Plan. He said we are working on the change for functional classification maps. He mentioned that Brian Weber is working on the ITS architecture with a meeting, scheduled for April 4 at 2:00. He also outlined the updates on the Transportation Plan, finishing the network, socio-economic tables and trip generation. He added INDOT's requests for project amendments will be heard by the

Area Plan Commission this evening. He said that Brian is cleaning up the 2001 crash data, when it was changed from the old reports to the new reports. He added that there is missing data and Brian is working on creating an accurate database. He said that a request has been submitted to INDOT to calculate a total daily VMT around the county. He explained that VMT is Vehicle Miles Traveled.

Sallie Fahey asked for clarification about the request to INDOT.

Doug Poad answered that we need data regarding how many miles of each classification of road there is within the county.

Opal Kuhl asked about where Park East Boulevard fits into the Transportation Plan. She wondered if it would become an arterial.

Sallie Fahey said that the road was given the status of "collector" so that it would be paid for by the developers. She explained that as a collector, a developer had to dedicate the right-of-way and also pay for the road, which is not the case if it an arterial.

Opal Kuhl said that her office would recommend building Park East Boulevard to fit the standards of an arterial road.

Sallie Fahey said it is a non-residential collector and is not sure if that makes a difference in lane widths. She also said that there was no way to add an arterial without amending the Thoroughfare Plan at the time Park East Boulevard was developed adding it as a collector only required a Resolution.

Mark Albers asked when the VMT report will be completed.

Doug Poad said that it all depends on when staff receives the data.

Mark Albers asked if accident rates would be compiled based on miles driven.

Doug Poad answered negatively. He said that could be compiled, but the first goal is to calculate the overall county-wide VMT.

Mark Albers said he would like to know that information to compare Tippecanoe County with other counties in the State.

#### **Other Business**

Sallie Fahey mentioned that the county's new website launched this week. She pointed out that the Unified Zoning Ordinance and Unified Subdivision Ordinance in .pdf form are online. She also mentioned that each case on the current agenda for the upcoming meeting is directly linked to its staff report. She said that all content regarding transportation has been added to the website.

Mark Albers added that the entire County Government has a page on the new website. He highlighted some of the features on the Highway Department's page.

Opal Kuhl asked if the GIS site would improve.

Sallie Fahey pointed out the new website address is <http://www.tippecanoe.in.gov>. She also reminded the Committee that the next meeting is April 20, 2005.

Jeannette Bennett moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m. Opal Kuhl seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.



Sallie Dell Fahey  
Secretary